SPECIAL SESSION OF THE BRIGHAM CITY COUNCIL **JANUARY 3, 2006** 12:00 P.M.

Lou Ann Christensen PRESENT: **Incumbent Mayor**

> Incumbent Councilmember Reese Jensen Jon Adams Incumbent Councilmember Steve Hill Councilmember-Elect Alden Farr Councilmember

ALSO PRESENT: Ben Boyce Director of Parks and Recreation

> Jim Buchanan Director of Emergency Services

Mary Kate Christensen City Recorder Director of Library Sue Hill

Paul Larsen Director of Economic Development

Director of Public Works Bruce Leonard Police Lieutenant Mike Nelsen Dennis Sheffield Director of Finance Don Tingey City Administrator

Alan Wright Director of Public Power

EXCUSED: Holly Bell Councilmember

The Council met in a special session for administration of the oath of office to the newly elected Councilmembers and Mayor. Mayor Christensen welcomed the family and friends of the councilmembers and turned the time over to Judge Hadfield.

Judge Hadfield said he was recently talking to one of the attorneys in town, Jon Bunderson, about magazines. Judge Hadfield subscribes to US News, and Mr. Bunderson subscribes to Time. Judge Hadfield said when he was a young boy, his grandfather subscribed to US News, and when he was at their home, he would look at the magazine and read it. Mr. Bunderson subscribes to the Time magazine for the same reason, when he was a boy his father subscribed to Time magazine. This is true in many other areas of our lives. When he was a young boy, his grandfather was a member of the Brigham City Council. He suspects this also had an influence on him as far as looking at public service. He said he hoped the City councilmembers and Mayor will recognize that the hours they spend may have positive influences in a long time frame that maybe they don't realize now.

Judge Hadfield invited Lou Ann Christensen, Jon Adams, Reese Jensen and Steve Hill to come forward. He administered the oath of office to them.

Councilmember Hill said he appreciates the opportunity to serve the citizens of Brigham City. He said he realized he is filling the shoes of two outstanding men. First Bob Marabella who did an outstanding job over the last four years representing the citizens of Brigham City. Also, he is filling the term of his friend, Cliff Green. There is not a finer person than Cliff. He hopes he can serve the citizens in the same manner Bob and Cliff did.

Councilmember Jensen said it has been very rewarding to work with the City employees in the last year. He expressed appreciation to the employees. The benefits he has served on the City Council in the last year far outweigh any time he spent or energy he has committed to this position. It has been very rewarding and fulfilling to work with the City employees. He felt that Brigham City has the best City staff of any City. He has grown from his association with each one of them. He looks forward to that association in the following four years. He added that he is very excited about everything that is going on, and is grateful to be a part of it. The prior councils have paid a price in setting the stage for a lot of great things that are going to happen in the future.

Councilmember Adams said it was difficult for him to decide to run for a third time, but he is looking forward to the next four years. He has enjoyed working with everyone. Brigham City has a fabulous City staff. He said he looks forward to the new challenges in the next four years.

Mayor Christensen said she is looking forward to working with the Council over the next four years. They are the very best individuals she could possibly have to work with. She also thanked City staff, they are what makes the City run and makes Brigham City such a great place to live. Each and every employee plays a very important role in the beautiful City that we live in. She expressed appreciation to her family. Her family has paid the price with her being Mayor. Her husband and daughter have been very good at times that have been very difficult.